

Further Information

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Directions:

By Train: The Rittenhouse Hotel is conveniently located less than a mile (5 minute cab ride) from Amtrak's Philadelphia train station. Conference attendees will receive a discount from Amtrak. Please visit our conference website for the discount code. The conference organizers hope that you will take advantage of this public transportation resource.

By Plane: The Rittenhouse Hotel is located 8 miles from Philadelphia International Airport. A cab ride from the airport costs \$20 (flat fee). Various hotel shuttles service the Rittenhouse (among other downtown hotels). The cost is \$8-10/way and the shuttles stop at other hotels on their way to the Rittenhouse. Cabs and shuttles can be picked up outside baggage claim.

By Car: For driving directions, go to <http://www.rittenhousehotel.com/htm>. The Rittenhouse offers valet, secured parking for overnights guests at \$25/night (includes in and out privileges). Parking for the conference day only is \$15/day.

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Greening the Government: A Sustainability Conference for Government Officials



Research Triangle Park - an EPA Green Facility

June 4-6, 2003

**Sheraton Rittenhouse Hotel
210 West Rittenhouse Square
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**

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About the Conference

EPA Regions I, II, and III and NEWMOA are proud to co-sponsor an environmental conference to help government officials from Maine to Virginia "Green" their operations. This two and a half day conference will provide a forum for learning about green programs, tools, and successful case studies from both the government and private sectors. There will also be substantial time set aside during the conference for interactive discussions between the participants and the speakers. So come ready to discuss any challenges and successes you have experienced greening your facility!

About the Keynote Speaker

Mr. William McDonough is an internationally recognized designer who practices ecologically, socially, and economically intelligent architecture and planning in the U.S. and abroad. In 1999, Time magazine recognized him as a 'Hero for the Planet' (2/22/99), stating that "his utopianism is grounded in a unified philosophy that—in demonstrable and practical ways—is changing the design of the world." His ideas and efforts were also honored when, in 1996, he became the only individual to receive the Presidential Award for Sustainable Development, the nation's highest environmental honor.

Designing a Green Conference

In keeping with the theme for this conference, EPA and NEWMOA have made every effort possible to make this a "Green" Conference. First, we selected the Rittenhouse Hotel as the location for our conference because it has a Green Seal of approval. Next, we negotiated a discount with Amtrack to encourage the use of public transportation. The hotel is less than a mile from the Philadelphia train station. Finally, in an effort to minimize paper use and waste, we will post speaker presentations on the Internet. Hard copies of the presentations will not be available at the conference. For more information on Green Meetings, visit <http://www.epa.gov/oppt/greenmeetings>.

AGENDA

June 4, 2003

- 8:00 - 9:00** Registration/Continental Breakfast
9:00 -9:30 Welcome (John L. Howard, Jr., Federal Environmental Executive)
9:30 -10:00 EPA: Leading the Way By Example (EPA Administrator Christine Todd Whitman, Invited)
10:00 -11:00 Keynote Speaker (William McDonough)
11:00-11:15 Break
11:15-12:45 Plenary Panel: Building Green
12:45 -1:45 Lunch on your Own
1:45-3:30 Concurrent Panels
- Healthy Indoor Environments
- Energy Conservation
- Green Building Tools/Resources
3:30-3:45 Break/Refreshments
3:45-5:30 Concurrent Panels
- Water Conservation
- Beneficial Landscaping
- Implementing P2 through EMSs

June 5, 2003

- 8:00 - 8:30** Registration/Continental Breakfast
8:30 -10:30 Plenary Panel: Buying Green
10:30 -10:45 Break
10:45 -12:30 Concurrent Panels
- Green Cleaning
- Green Meetings
- Alternative Fuels/Vehicles
12:30 -1:30 Lunch on Your Own
1:30-3:15 Concurrent Panels
- Electronics
- Green E-Procurement
- Greening Your Cafeteria
3:15-3:30 Break/Refreshments
3:30-5:15 Plenary Panel: Setting up the Green Infrastructure

June 6, 2003

- 9:00-12:00** Interactive Session: Making it Work - Greening Your Facility (see following paragraph for more details).

Help Develop Green Priorities & Goals

This last day has been set aside for participants to engage in a lively discussion of what challenges government faces in becoming green, and the short term and long term goals/priorities which can be established at the facility and government-wide level to keep the momentum from the conference alive. This session will only be effective with active participation from attendees. So please join us on Friday morning to learn how together we can make government Green!

Who Should Attend the Conference

All Federal, tribal, state, and local government officials from Maine to Virginia are welcome to attend, especially:

- environmental, health and safety staff;
- procurement staff; and
- facilities management staff

who are or would like to be involved in environmentally preferable purchasing and designing and maintaining green buildings.

Conference Registration & Fees

To register for the conference, please visit

<http://www.newmoa.org/prevention/greengovconf>.

The deadline for registration is Wednesday May 21, 2003. Since the conference is limited to 150 participants, register early to save your space (please limit to 3 per facility). The conference fee is \$90. Payment must be received to secure your spot.

Accommodations

A block of rooms has been reserved for the nights of June 3, 4 and 5, 2003 at the Sheraton Rittenhouse Hotel in Philadelphia at a rate of \$124/night. **The deadline for room reservations is Friday May 16, 2003.** But make your hotel reservations early to ensure space! To make a reservation, contact the Rittenhouse Hotel at 800-635-1042 and make sure to tell them you are with the "Green Government" conference to obtain the discount rate.